

BIOLOGY REFERENCE WEBSITES

This section contains a listing of web links to on-line references relating to biology topics on stamps and general philatelic information. We are providing this information to assist members in research and not to endorse the sites listed in any way. If readers know of, or use other useful sites, please send the links to your editor and we will include them in future editions. New or changed entries since the last publication are indicated with an asterisk (*).

STAMP ISSUES

Collectors Club of Chicago: Philatelic Encyclopedia. A comprehensive compendium of definitions for philatelic terms and topics including those in more than 40 foreign languages. The parent site has many additional reports and references. Portions are still under construction.

<https://www.collectorsclubchicago.org/philatelic-encyclopedia/>

Delcampe. Worldwide listings and illustrations of stamps for sale. They have revised their website to make it more user-friendly. *http://www.delcampe.net/en_GB/marketplace/stamps/*

eBay. Worldwide listings and illustrations of stamps, covers, postcards, and other collectibles for sale. *<http://www.ebay.com/>*

IGPC. Formerly Cyber Stamps. On-line postage stamp catalogue of worldwide topical issues. *<https://www.igpc.com/>*

Neofila. Modern issues from Russia, Eastern Europe, and Baltic States. Also includes some African countries. *<http://www.neofila.com/>*

Stamp Collection. On-line postage stamp catalogue of worldwide issues. Includes production information. *<http://colnect.com/en/stamps/countries>*

Stamperija. Listings and illustrations of thematic issues from countries located in Africa, Asia, and Oceania produced by Stamperija, Ltd., under contract to several postal administrations. Requires registration, login. *<http://www.stamperija.eu/>*

Stamp World. Listings and illustrations of issues from all countries by year. Includes production information. Requires free registration and login. *<http://www.stampworld.com/en/maps/Europe/>*

Virtual Stamp Club. Latest news from the world of stamp collecting. Links to other stamp collecting sites and the websites of almost every other collector society or major club.

<http://www.virtualstampclub.com/>

Zillions of Stamps. Worldwide listings and illustrations of stamps for sale.

<http://www.zillionsofstamps.com/>

GENERAL

American Philatelic Society. Listings of dealers, local clubs, stamp shows, and other philatelic events. *<http://stamps.org/>*

American Topical Association. Topical collecting and exhibiting information, youth activities, checklists. *<https://americantopical.org>*

Collect 4 All. Listings of stamps for sale by country and theme. Includes spectrum of animal stamps. *<http://www.collect4all.com/>*

Exploring Stamps. Interesting and professional videos produced by videographer Graham Beck on all sorts of stamp collecting topics.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkeSM6aOWfaUPIGb5rPOGyA>

The Philatelist. A blog by a philatelic journalist in Portugal. Displayed in several selectable languages. Contains current philatelic news stories and links to archives with past stories. Also

includes links to dozens of other world-wide philatelic websites. Philatelic publication reviews.

<http://o-filatelista.blogspot.com/>

Tree of Life Web Project. Worldwide collaborative effort to map the genome of every organism on earth and to establish their relationships to one another. <http://www.tolweb.org/tree>

BOTANY:

Fungal Biodiversity Institute. Dutch site under the Royal Netherlands Academy of Science and Arts dealing with the taxonomy and evolution of fungi. Includes searchable taxonomic databases.

<http://www.cbs.knaw.nl/>

Garden Guides. Replacement site for www.botany.com. All kinds of information about plants including cultivation. Listings by common name or scientific name. Grouped by plant types.

<http://www.gardenguides.com/>

International Association for Plant Taxonomy. Links for the standard international codes on taxonomy and nomenclature for algae, fungi, and plants.

<http://www.iapt-taxon.org/nomen/main.php>

ENTOMOLOGY:

Antbase. On-line databases maintained by the American Museum of Natural History and Ohio State University listing all the ant species of the world. <http://www.antbase.org/index.htm>

Australian National Insect Collection. Listings of Common and Scientific Names, systematic listing, and author abbreviations. <http://www.ces.csiro.au/aicn/intro.htm>

Bug Guide. Identification, images, and information for insects, spiders, and their kin for the United States and Canada. <https://bugguide.net/node/view/15740>

Cerambycidae. Species listing and illustrations of Cerambycidae of the West Palearctic Region organized by subfamily and tribe. <http://www.cerambyx.uochb.cz/>

Entomological Data Information System. Internet links to many worldwide websites dealing with biology and ecology, especially Lepidoptera. <http://www.globis.insects-online.de>

Entomology Today. Entomological Society of America site reporting interesting discoveries in insect science, entomological society news and events, and related articles.

<https://entomologytoday.org/>

FUNET. Finnish university share network site containing updated taxonomic listings for insects, especially Lepidoptera. It also has limited listings for mammals, birds, and plants.

<http://www.nic.funet.fi/pub/sci/bio/life/intro.html>

Natural History Museum. British site containing Lepidoptera generic names and type species listings. <http://www.nhm.ac.uk/our-science/data/butmoth/>

Odonata Society. German site containing listings of Odonata species found in Europe (in German). <http://www.libellula.org/>

World Bee Genera. UC Riverside site containing listing of all bee generic names and synonyms by family and subfamily current as of September 2007.

<http://cache.ucr.edu/~heraty/beepege.html>

HERPETOLOGY:

AmphibiaWeb. Provides access to information on amphibian declines, conservation, natural history, and taxonomy. Includes an on-line database of species and links to many related sites.

<http://amphibiaweb.org/index.html>

The Reptile Database. Uetz, P. (Ed.). Taxonomic database that provides basic information about all living reptile species, such as turtles, snakes, lizards, and crocodiles, as well as tuataras and amphisbaenians. It does not include dinosaurs. <http://reptile-database.reptarium.cz/>

Society of the Study of Amphibians and Reptiles. Website devoted to herpetology research and conservation. Database of North American species names. <https://ssarherps.org/>

Turtle Meter Stamps. Updated website containing a worldwide catalog of meter stamps and meter marks that depict turtles and tortoises based on the owners collection of more than 220 items. There is an image of each meter with some short comments on its use and scarcity in English, Italian, and French. <http://turtlemeterstamp.altervista.org/>

World-Wide List of Turtles and Tortoises on Stamps. This on-line listing was produced by Donald N. Riemer, a former member of the Biology Unit and contributor to this journal, who passed away in June 2012. The site contains a checklist of stamps by country along with appendixes listing labels, cinderellas, turtle look-alike stamps, and post offices with “turtle” or “tortoise” in their name. <http://www.personal.psu.edu/crr2/turtstmp/>

ICHTHYOLOGY:

All Tropical Fish. Provides information on marine fishkeeping, corals, invertebrates, and freshwater fish. Offers fish forums, community and article and photo upload.

<http://www.alltropicalfish.com/>

Burke Museum Ichthyology. Database of the museum’s archival collection of more than 11 million specimens.

<http://www.burkemuseum.org/research-and-collections/ichthyology>

FishBase. A searchable database developed at the WorldFish Center in Taiwan in collaboration with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations. Contains all you ever wanted to know about fishes. http://fishbase.sinica.edu.tw/home_tw.htm

MAMMALS:

Feline Philately Homepage. All sorts of cat stamps, postmarks, and related articles.

<http://www.catstamps.org/>

Mammal Species of the World. On-line database of worldwide mammal species hosted by the Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History.

<http://vertebrates.si.edu/mammals/index.html>

ORNITHOLOGY:

Birds of the World. All sorts of bird stamps by country and species, including new issues.

<http://www.bird-stamps.org/>

Bird Stamp Society. Website of an organization catering to collectors of bird stamps. They publish a quarterly journal that lists new birds on stamps. <http://www.birdstampsociety.org/index.html>

Theme Birds on Stamps. All sorts of bird stamps by country and species, including new issues.

<http://www.birdtheme.org/>

PALEONTOLOGY:

Dinosaur Illustrations. Galleries of dinosaur illustrations by species. Includes links to paleontology stamp sites and other related sites. <http://www.search4dinosaurs.com/>

Paleophilatelie. Edited by our Paleontology Editor, Michael Kogan. Catalogue of Paleontology related philatelic items, such as paleontologists, fossils, prehistoric animals, dinosaurs, early man, and museums on official post stamps, envelopes, and post cards. Contains links to related news items and sites. <http://www.paleophilatelie.eu/index.html>